1   **CLAIMS**

2   What is claimed is:

3   1.   A method of generating a versatile financial transaction, comprising:

4   identifying a versatile financial transaction,

5   wherein the versatile financial transaction is comprised of at least five

6 subcomponent transactions;

7   providing an order for processing the subcomponent transactions;

8   wherein the subcomponent transactions are interrelated,

9   wherein subcomponent transaction types specified in the order are based on

10 the identified versatile financial transaction's subcomponent requirements,

11   wherein subcomponent parameters specified in the order are based on

12 ordering requirements made in identifying the versatile financial transaction,

13   wherein the subcomponents are provided substantially simultaneously to a

14 trade executing entity,

15   identifying an underlying financial instrument for the versatile financial transaction;

16   effecting the execution of trades on the order's subcomponents substantially

17 simultaneously from the order provision.

18   2.   A method of generating a versatile financial transaction, comprising:

19   identifying a versatile financial transaction, wherein the versatile financial transaction

20   is comprised of at least five subcomponent transactions;

21   providing an order for processing the subcomponent transactions;

22   wherein the subcomponent transactions are interrelated,

23   wherein subcomponent transaction types specified in the order are based on

24   the identified versatile financial transaction's subcomponent requirements.

25   3.   The method of claim 2, wherein a complement order is made available to a

26   trading market.

27   4.   The method of claim 3, wherein the complement order is brokered.

28   5.   The method of claim 2, wherein the subcomponent transactions include over-

29   the-counter options.

30   6.   The method of claim 2, further, comprising:

31   identifying an underlying financial instrument for the identified versatile

32   financial transaction.

33   7.   The method of claim 2, wherein subcomponent parameters specified in the

34   order are based on ordering requirements made in identifying the versatile financial

35   transaction.

36   8.   The method of claim 2, wherein some of the subcomponents' specified in the

37   order require other subcomponents in the order to execute as specified, otherwise both sets of

38   subcomponents will not execute.

39   9.   The method of claim 2, wherein some of the subcomponents' specified in the

40 order require other subcomponents in an other order to execute as specified, otherwise both

41 sets of subcomponents will not execute.

42   10.   The method of claim 7, wherein the ordering requirements are made by an

43 investor.

44   11.   The method of claim 7, wherein the ordering requirements are made by a

45 system.

46   12.   The method of claim 2, wherein the subcomponents are obtained substantially

47 simultaneously.

48   13.   The method of claim 12, wherein the subcomponents are obtained by an trade

49 executing entity.

50   14.   The method of claim 2, further, comprising:

51   effecting the execution of trades on the order's subcomponents substantially

52 simultaneously.

53   15.   The method of claim 2, wherein one order is populated for all subcomponents.

54   16.   The method of claim 2, wherein one order is provided for each subcomponent.

55   17.   The method of claim 2, wherein some subcomponents are amalgamated into

56 one order and other orders are provided for each subcomponent.

57   18.   The method of claim 2, wherein the provision is to a server.

58   19.   The method of claim 2, wherein the provision is for execution of a trade.

59   20.   The method of claim 19, wherein the execution of the order's subcomponents

60 occurs substantially simultaneously.

61   21.   The method of claim 2, wherein the versatile financial transaction is a

62   SlingshotHedge.

63   22.   The method of claim 2, wherein the versatile financial transaction is a ratioed

64   vertical.

65   23.   A method of generating a versatile financial transaction, comprising:

66   obtaining an order for a versatile financial transaction,

67   wherein the versatile financial transaction is comprised of at least five

68   subcomponent transactions;

69   processing the order for the subcomponent transactions;

70   wherein the subcomponent transactions are interrelated,

71   wherein subcomponent transaction types specified in the order are based on

72   the versatile financial transaction's subcomponent requirements,

73   wherein subcomponent parameters specified in the order are based on

74   ordering requirements made for the versatile financial transaction,

75   wherein the subcomponents are obtained substantially simultaneously at a

76   trade executing entity,

77   effecting the execution of trades on the order's subcomponents substantially

78   simultaneously from the processed order.

79   24.   A method of generating a versatile financial transaction, comprising:

80   obtaining an order for a versatile financial transaction, wherein the versatile financial

81   transaction is comprised of at least five subcomponent transactions;

82   processing the subcomponent transactions;

83   wherein the subcomponent transactions are interrelated,

84   wherein subcomponent transaction types specified in the order are based on

85   the versatile financial transaction's subcomponent requirements;

86   effecting the execution of trades on the order's subcomponents.

87   25.   The method of claim 24, wherein a complement order is made available to a

88   trading market.

89   26.   The method of claim 25, wherein the complement order is brokered.

90   27.   The method of claim 24, wherein the subcomponent transactions include over-

91   the-counter options.

92   28.   The method of claim 24, further, comprising:

93   identifying an underlying financial instrument for the identified versatile

94   financial transaction.

95   29.   The method of claim 24, wherein subcomponent parameters specified in the

96   order are based on ordering requirements made for the versatile financial transaction.

97   30.   The method of claim 24, wherein some of the subcomponents' specified in the

98   order require other subcomponents in the order to execute as specified, otherwise both sets of

99   subcomponents will not execute.

100   31.   The method of claim 24, wherein some of the subcomponents' specified in the
101   order require other subcomponents in an other order to execute as specified, otherwise both
102   sets of subcomponents will not execute.

103   32.   The method of claim 29, wherein the ordering requirements are made by an
104   investor.

105   33.   The method of claim 29, wherein the ordering requirements are made by a
106   system.

107   34.   The method of claim 24, wherein the subcomponents are obtained
108   substantially simultaneously.

109   35.   The method of claim 34, wherein the subcomponents are obtained by an trade
110   executing entity.

111   36.   The method of claim 24, further, comprising:
112   executing trades on the order's subcomponents substantially simultaneously.

113   37.   The method of claim 24, wherein one order is populated for all
114   subcomponents.

115   38.   The method of claim 24, wherein one order is provided for each
116   subcomponent.

117   39.   The method of claim 24, wherein some subcomponents are amalgamated into
118   one order and other orders are provided for each subcomponent.

119   40.   The method of claim 24, wherein the order is obtained at a server.

120   41.   The method of claim 24, wherein the versatile financial transaction is a
121   SlingshotHedge.

122 42.   The method of claim 24, wherein the versatile financial transaction is a ratioed

123 vertical.

124 43.   A method of generating a versatile financial transaction, comprising:

125   identifying an underlying financial instrument;

126   identifying a versatile financial transaction for the underlying financial instrument,

127   wherein the versatile financial transaction is comprised of at least three

128 subcomponent transactions;

129   providing an order for processing the subcomponent transactions;

130   wherein the subcomponent transactions are interrelated,

131   wherein subcomponent transaction types specified in the order are based on

132 the identified versatile financial transaction's subcomponent requirements,

133   wherein subcomponent parameters specified in the order are based on

134 ordering requirements made in identifying the versatile financial transaction,

135   wherein the subcomponents are provided substantially simultaneously to trade

136 executing entity,

137   effecting the execution of trades on the order's subcomponents substantially

138 simultaneously from the order provision.

139   44.   A method of generating a versatile financial transaction, comprising:

140   identifying a versatile financial transaction,

141   wherein the versatile financial transaction is comprised of at least three

142 subcomponent transactions;

143   providing an order for processing the subcomponent transactions;

144   wherein the subcomponent transactions are interrelated,

145   wherein subcomponent transaction types specified in the order are based on

146 the identified versatile financial transaction's subcomponent requirements;

147   identifying an underlying financial instrument for the versatile financial transaction.

148   45.   The method of claim 44, wherein a complement order is made available to a

149 trading market.

150   46.   The method of claim 45, wherein the complement order is brokered.

151   47.   The method of claim 44, wherein the subcomponent transactions are over-the-

152 counter options.

153   48.   The method of claim 44, wherein subcomponent parameters specified in the

154 order are based on ordering requirements made in identifying the versatile financial

155 transaction.

156   49.   The method of claim 44, wherein at least one of the subcomponents' specified

157 in the order require other subcomponents in the order to execute as specified, otherwise both

158 sets of subcomponents will not execute.

159   50.   The method of claim 48, wherein some of the subcomponents' parameters

160   specified in the order require other subcomponents in an other order to execute as specified,

161   otherwise both sets of subcomponents will not execute.

162   51.   The method of claim 48, wherein the ordering requirements are made by an

163   investor.

164   52.   The method of claim 48, wherein the ordering requirements are made by a

165   system.

166   53.   The method of claim 44, wherein the subcomponents are obtained

167   substantially simultaneously.

168   54.   The method of claim 53, wherein the subcomponents are obtained by an trade

169   executing entity.

170   55.   The method of claim 44, further, comprising:

171   effecting the execution of trades on the order's subcomponents substantially

172   simultaneously.

173   56.   The method of claim 44, wherein one order is populated for all

174   subcomponents.

175   57.   The method of claim 44, wherein one order is provided for each

176   subcomponent.

177   58.   The method of claim 44, wherein some subcomponents are amalgamated into

178   one order and other orders are provided for each subcomponent.

179   59.   The method of claim 44, wherein the provision is to a server.

180   60.   The method of claim 44, wherein the provision is for execution of a trade.

181   61. The method of claim 60, wherein the execution of the order's subcomponents

182 occurs substantially simultaneously.

183   62. The method of claim 44, wherein the versatile financial transaction is a

184 SlingshotHedge.

185   63. The method of claim 44, wherein the versatile financial transaction is a ratioed

186 vertical.

187   64. A method of generating a versatile financial transaction, comprising:

188   obtaining an order for a versatile financial transaction for an underlying financial

189 instrument,

190   wherein the versatile financial transaction is comprised of at least three

191 subcomponent transactions;

192   processing the order for the subcomponent transactions;

193   wherein the subcomponent transactions are interrelated,

194   wherein subcomponent transaction types specified in the order are based on

195 the versatile financial transaction's subcomponent requirements,

196   wherein subcomponent parameters specified in the order are based on

197 ordering requirements made for the versatile financial transaction,

198   wherein the subcomponents are obtained substantially simultaneously at a

199 trade executing entity,

200   effecting the execution of trades on the order's subcomponents substantially

201 simultaneously from the processed order.

202   65.   A method of generating a versatile financial transaction, comprising:

203   obtaining an order for a versatile financial transaction for an underlying financial

204 instrument,

205   wherein the versatile financial transaction is comprised of at least three

206 subcomponent transactions;

207   processing the order for the subcomponent transactions;

208   wherein the subcomponent transactions are interrelated,

209   wherein subcomponent transaction types specified in the order are based on

210 the versatile financial transaction's subcomponent requirements;

211   effecting the execution of trades on the order's subcomponents.

212   66.   The method of claim 65, wherein a complement order is made available to a

213 trading market.

214   67.   The method of claim 66, wherein the complement order is brokered.

215   68.   The method of claim 65, wherein the subcomponent transactions are over-the-

216 counter options.

217   69.   The method of claim 65, wherein subcomponent parameters specified in the

218 order are based on ordering requirements made for the versatile financial transaction.

219   70.   The method of claim 65, wherein at least one of the subcomponents' specified

220 in the order require other subcomponents in the order to execute as specified, otherwise both

221 sets of subcomponents will not execute.

222   71.   The method of claim 69, wherein some of the subcomponents' parameters

223   specified in the order require other subcomponents in an other order to execute as specified,

224   otherwise both sets of subcomponents will not execute.

225   72.   The method of claim 69, wherein the ordering requirements are made by an

226   investor.

227   73.   The method of claim 69, wherein the ordering requirements are made by a

228   system.

229   74.   The method of claim 65, wherein the subcomponents are obtained

230   substantially simultaneously.

231   75.   The method of claim 74, wherein the subcomponents are obtained by a trade

232   executing entity.

233   76.   The method of claim 65, wherein execution of trades on the order's

234   subcomponents occurs substantially simultaneously.

235   77.   The method of claim 65, wherein one order is populated for all

236   subcomponents.

237   78.   The method of claim 65, wherein one order is provided for each

238   subcomponent.

239   79.   The method of claim 65, wherein some subcomponents are amalgamated into

240   one order and other orders are provided for each subcomponent.

241   80.   The method of claim 65, wherein the order is obtained at a server.

242   81.   The method of claim 65, wherein the versatile financial transaction is a

243   SlingshotHedge.

244   82.   The method of claim 65, wherein the versatile financial transaction is a ratioed

245   vertical.

246   83.   In memory, an interaction interface that is invokable by a processor,

247   comprising:

248   instruction signals in the memory, wherein the instruction signals are issuable by the

249   processor to provide:

250   a selection interface mechanism to specify a desired versatile financial

251   transaction;

252   an interaction interface mechanism to display subcomponents for the selected

253   versatile financial transaction;

254   an interaction interface mechanism to shift values associated with the selected

255   versatile financial transaction; and

256   a display area to display any of the mechanisms.

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258   84.   The method of claim 83, wherein the selection interface mechanism lists

259   versatile financial transactions graphically.

260   85.   The method of claim 83, wherein the selection interface mechanism lists

261   versatile financial transactions textually.

262   86.   The method of claim 83, wherein the subcomponents are retrieved for display

263   from a database based on the selected versatile financial transaction.

264   87.   The method of claim 83, wherein the values include strike price and strike

265   times.

266   88.   A method of creating a versatile financial mechanism, comprising:

267   selecting a versatile variant financial mechanism, wherein the versatile variant is

268   comprised of multiple subcomponent transactions;

269   looking-up the subcomponent transactions that comprise the selected versatile variant

270   in a database based on the selected versatile variant financial mechanism,

271   wherein the subcomponent transactions are interrelated,

272   wherein the subcomponents are found based on the selected versatile financial

273   transaction;

274   identifying the availability of the subcomponent transactions;

275   providing at least one order for processing the subcomponents, if the subcomponents

276   are available.

277   89.   The method of claim 88, wherein a complement order is made available to a

278   trading market.

279   90.   The method of claim 89, wherein the complement order is brokered.

280   91.   The method of claim 88, wherein subcomponent parameters specified in the

281   order are based on ordering requirements made in selecting the versatile financial transaction.

282   92.   The method of claim 91, wherein subcomponent parameters specified in the

283   order may be shifted with a user interface mechanism.

284   93.   The method of claim 91, wherein the ordering requirements are made by an

285   investor.

286   94.   The method of claim 91, wherein the ordering requirements are made by a

287   system.

288   95. The method of claim 88, wherein the subcomponents are obtained

289 substantially simultaneously.

290   96. The method of claim 95, wherein the subcomponents are obtained by an trade

291 executing entity.

292   97. The method of claim 88, further, comprising:

293   selecting an underlying financial mechanism for the versatile variant.

294   98. The method of claim 88, wherein one order is populated for all

295 subcomponents.

296   99. The method of claim 88, wherein one order is provided for each

297 subcomponent.

298   100. The method of claim 88, wherein some subcomponents are amalgamated into

299 one order and other orders are provided for each subcomponent.

300   101. The method of claim 88, wherein the provision is to a server.

301   102. The method of claim 88, wherein the provision is for execution of a trade.

302   103. The method of claim 102, wherein the execution of the order's

303 subcomponents occurs substantially simultaneously.

304   104. The method of claim 88, wherein the versatile financial transaction includes at

305 least three subcomponent transactions.

306   105. The method of claim 88, wherein the versatile financial transaction is a

307 SlingshotHedge.

308   106. The method of claim 88, wherein the versatile financial transaction is a ratioed

309 vertical.

310   107.   A method of creating a versatile financial mechanism, comprising:

311   obtaining an order for a versatile variant financial mechanism,

312   wherein the versatile variant was selected from an underlying financial

313 instrument

314   wherein the versatile variant is comprised of multiple subcomponent

315 transactions;

316   processing the order for the selected versatile variant financial mechanism's

317 subcomponents,

318   wherein the subcomponent transactions are interrelated,

319   wherein the subcomponents are found based on the selected versatile financial

320 transaction;

321   identifying the availability of the subcomponent transactions;

322   effecting the execution of trades on the order's subcomponents.

323   108.   The method of claim 107, wherein a complement order is made available to a

324 trading market.

325   109.   The method of claim 108, wherein the complement order is brokered.

326   110.   The method of claim 107, wherein subcomponent parameters specified in the

327 order are based on ordering requirements made in selecting the versatile financial transaction.

328   111.   The method of claim 110, wherein the ordering requirements are made by an

329 investor.

330   112.   The method of claim 110, wherein the ordering requirements are made by a

331 system.

332   113.   The method of claim 107, wherein the subcomponents are obtained

333   substantially simultaneously.

334   114.   The method of claim 113, wherein the subcomponents are obtained by a trade

335   executing entity.

336   115.   The method of claim 107, wherein one order is populated for all

337   subcomponents.

338   116.   The method of claim 107, wherein one order is provided for each

339   subcomponent.

340   117.   The method of claim 107, wherein some subcomponents are amalgamated

341   into one order and other orders are provided for each subcomponent.

342   118.   The method of claim 107, wherein the order is obtained at a server.

343   119.   The method of claim 107, wherein the provision is for execution of a trade.

344   120.   The method of claim 119, wherein the execution of the order's

345   subcomponents occurs substantially simultaneously.

346   121.   The method of claim 107, wherein the versatile financial transaction includes

347   at least three subcomponent transactions.

348   122.   The method of claim 107, wherein the versatile financial transaction is a

349   SlingshotHedge.

350   123.   The method of claim 107, wherein the versatile financial transaction is a

351   ratioed vertical.

352 124. A versatile financial mechanism generator, comprising:

353 a memory;

354 a processor disposed in communication with said memory, and configured to issue a

355 plurality of processing instructions stored in the memory, wherein the instructions issue

356 signals to:

357 select an underlying financial mechanism;

358 select a versatile variant financial mechanism, wherein the versatile variant is

359 comprised of multiple subcomponent transactions;

360 look-up the subcomponent transactions that comprise the selected versatile

361 variant in a database, wherein the subcomponent transactions are interrelated;

362 provide one or more orders for processing the subcomponents, if the

363 subcomponents are available.

364   125.   A medium readable by a processor to dynamically select a network,

365   comprising:

366   instruction signals in the processor readable medium, wherein the instruction signals

367   are issuable by the processor to:

368   select an underlying financial mechanism;

369   select a versatile variant financial mechanism, wherein the versatile variant is

370   comprised of multiple subcomponent transactions;

371   look-up the subcomponent transactions that comprise the selected versatile

372   variant in a database, wherein the subcomponent transactions are interrelated;

373   identify the availability of the subcomponent transactions;

374   provide one or more orders for processing the subcomponents, if the

375   subcomponents are available.

376   126.   A system to generate a versatile financial mechanism, comprising:

377   means to select an underlying financial mechanism;

378   means to select a versatile variant financial mechanism, wherein the versatile variant

379   is comprised of multiple subcomponent transactions;

380   means to look-up the subcomponent transactions that comprise the selected versatile

381   variant in a database, wherein the subcomponent transactions are interrelated;

382   means to identify the availability of the subcomponent transactions;

383   means to provide one or more orders for processing the subcomponents, if the

384   subcomponents are available.

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